

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The amendments to the claims filed on August 11, 2010 have been fully considered. The 35 UCS 112 2nd paragraph rejection has been obviated as is thus hereby withdrawn.
2. Because there are no grounds of rejection remaining, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection over copending later-filed application US 11/909,447 is withdrawn.

Information Disclosure Statement

3. The information disclosure statements (IDS) submitted on April 10, 2009 and August 11, 2010 were in compliance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.98. The IDS was considered. Signed copies of form 1449 are enclosed herewith.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the claimed compounds are novel and non-obvious over the prior art. The closest reference, eg. Martin et al., neither anticipates nor makes obvious the instant claims which require a C1-C4 haloalkoxy substituent to the cyanobenzenesulfonamide.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SUN JAE Y. LOEWE whose telephone number is (571)272-9074. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 7:30-5:00 Est.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph McKane can be reached on (571)272-0699. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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